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- 1. AGATT CALLED MONTREAL BASED USDA GRAIN INSPECTION CHIEF RANKIN REGARDING SITUATION IN LOWER ST. LAWRENCE GRAIN TERMINALS.
- 2. RANKIN REPORTS THAT MOVEMENT OF CANADIAN GRAIN INTO ELEVATORS, STOCKS AND EXPORTS RUNNING HEAVILY TO FEED BARLEY AND UTILITY WHEAT. NO EVIDENCE OF HIGHER GRADE WHEAT IN SHIPMENTS. BARLEY INSHIPMENTS APPEAR TO BE LIP
- 3. CARGILL HAS ABOUT 10 MILLION BUSHELS FEED BARLEY AT BAIE COMEAU WHICH WILL BE INOPERATIVE DUE TO SHIP DAMAGE UNTIL AUGUST 4 WHEN TWO SPOUTS WILL BE OPERATIVE. TWO MONTHS BEFORE ELEVATORS RETURNS TO NORMAL.
- 4. RANKIN ALSO REPORTED SUDDEN EXPORT MOVEMENT OF U.S. SOYBEANS BY CONTINENTAL. AT LEAST 4 CARGOES BELIEVED DESTINED FOR EUROPE. LOADING OUT OF PORT CARTIER.

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